Jeremiah 1:4-10

<sup>4</sup>Now the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 5"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. <sup>8</sup>Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the LORD."

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the LORD said to me, "Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. 10 See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

#### **Epistle**

1 Corinthians 12:31b—13:13

I will show you a still more excellent way.

<sup>1</sup>If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. 3If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

<sup>4</sup>Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; 6it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. <sup>7</sup>Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

<sup>8</sup>Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part, 10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away. <sup>11</sup>When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. 12For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

<sup>13</sup>So now faith, hope, and love abide, these

three; but the greatest of these is love.

Holy Gospel

Luke 4:31-44

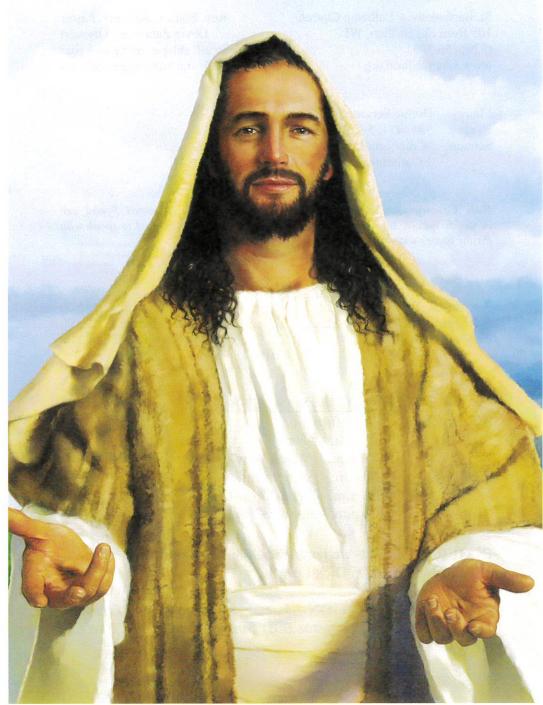
<sup>31</sup>[Jesus] went down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee. And he was teaching them on the Sabbath, <sup>32</sup>and they were astonished at his teaching, for his word possessed authority. 33 And in the synagogue there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, 34"Ha! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God." 35But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And when the demon had thrown him down in their midst, he came out of him, having done him no harm. <sup>36</sup>And they were all amazed and said to one another, "What is this word? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and they come out!" 37 And reports about him went out into every place in the surrounding region.

<sup>38</sup>And he arose and left the synagogue and entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-inlaw was ill with a high fever, and they appealed to him on her behalf. <sup>39</sup>And he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her, and immediately she rose and began to serve them.

<sup>40</sup>Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. 41 And demons also came out of many, crying, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.

<sup>42</sup>And when it was day, he departed and went into a desolate place. And the people sought him and came to him, and would have kept him from leaving them, <sup>43</sup>but he said to them, "I must preach the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns as well; for I was sent for this purpose." <sup>44</sup>And he was preaching in the synagogues of

# I must preach the good news





About the Cover: Jesus was always giving of Himself as He preached the Good News of His saving work in town after town. He did not stop delivering Himself to more and more people. The culmination was when He allowed Himself to be delivered into the hands of sinners and nailed to a cross. The Gospel unites us to Christ in our Baptism; our ears echo with the Good News of Jesus, who delivers Himself to us for our salvation as He continues to feed us in His Holy Supper.

## 4th SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 26 & 30, 2022 Sharing, Believing, Living, Caring

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Liturgy: Divine Service Setting Four p. 203 544 vs. 1, 5-7, 842, 805, 683, 845, 535

Hymns:

Sermon:

"Cruciform Love"

1 Corinthians 12:31b-13:13

Holy Communion: Members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod are invited to receive the Lord's Supper. Non-members are requested to speak with Pastor before worship.

### THE MEASURE OF OUR LOVE

Attendance 1/19 (Wed.): 39

Offering: \$1,185.00

(Sun): 45 Attendance 1/23

Offering: \$1,129.09

Budget Needs: \$3,594

Scrip Profit 1/23: \$23.00

S.S. - 5

Staff - 2

B.C. - 7

## KINGDOM WORK THIS WEEK

WED (2/2)

No Confirmation

5:45 p.m. – Choir

7:00 p.m. - Worship w/Comm.

SUN (2/6)

8:00 a.m. – S.S./No B.C.

9:00 a.m. - Worship w/Comm.

6:00 p.m. – Farm & Home 4H

IN OUR PRAYERS we remember John & Sheri Levash upon the death of John's father, Dick Levash.

**PASTOR ON VACATION** – January 31-February 7 – If pastoral care is needed, contact Pastor Brett Simek (618-410-9827) or one of the elders.

VOTERS MEETING will be held after church (Sunday, Jan. 30) in the fellowship hall. We are still in need of an elder and a council secretary. A lay delegate for the District Convention (June 12-14 @ CUW) is also needed. There may also be some bylaw changes presented.

**PENNIES FOR LIFE** – You are encouraged to donate a penny for every year of life which God has granted you. Deposit your pennies in the jar in the narthex. Please do not donate junk pennies or Canadian pennies. Donations will go to Lutherans for Life of Wisconsin. Deadline is today (Sunday).

"SOUP"ER BOWL CHALLENGE – Who is going to win the Super Bowl? NFC or AFC? Let your voice be heard by voting with cans of soup. You have until the end of the service on Feb. 13 to make your prediction. Place your can(s) in the appropriate stack in the narthex. Soup will be donated to the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Join the fun!

LADIES AID IS PLANNING A CHILI DINNER on February 27. We will serve from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You can take out or eat here right after the church service. If you wish to take out, please bring your own container. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board if you would like to help purchase some of the ingredients or bake a pie. Please have items here by Wednesday February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

LADIES AID IS REQUESTING YOUR HELP with their chili dinner on Saturday Feb. 26 for preparing and on Sunday, Feb. 27 for serving. Please sign-up on the bulletin board if you are available to help.

GREETER SCHEDULE - Please consider being a greeter. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Thank you.